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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Serial No.: 09/404,448

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For: RECOMBINANT HERPES SIMPLEX VIRAL VECTOR COMPOSITIONS

(as amended)

Group Art Unit: 1636

Examiner: Gerald Leffers, Jr.

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 26, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of three months to and including September 26, 2002, in which to respond to the Office Action dated March 26, 2002.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$460.00 is enclosed for the three month extension of time.

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If the check is inadvertently omitted, or should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an overpayment be included herein, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/4300.012100.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 26, 2002

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